

# VERB TENSE EXERCISES

Write the complete list of subject pronouns. After each pronoun, write the correct form of “to be” in the present tense next to the pronoun subject or subjects with which they agree.

	Singular Pronoun(s) / Conjugation	Plural Pronoun(s) / Conjugation
1 <sup>st</sup> person	I / am	we / are
2 <sup>nd</sup> person	you / are	you / are
3 <sup>rd</sup> person	he, she, it / is	they / are

**Subject-verb agreement. Write the proper verb form.**

1. Before the play begins, the audience (to find) **found** their owns seats.
2. The tribe now (to meet) **meets** at the old reservation, although, in the past, they (to meet) **met** at Harry’s Bar.

**In the following sentences, write either present-perfect or the past-perfect verb form-- whichever is appropriate.**

1. After I (travel) **travelled** for several hours, I stopped to eat lunch.
2. After I (travel) **travel** for several hours, I usually stop to eat lunch.
3. Charles already (talk) **talked** to several people before he decided.
4. Charles (talk) **talked** to several people, and now he is ready to decide.

**Fill in the proper past-tense or past-participle form of the verb in parentheses.**

1. After the party had (draw) **drawn** to a close, Beckford (take) **took** up residence in the Abbey.
2. As time (go) **goes** by, it also (steal) **steals** away his fortune.
3. He (fly) **flew** into a fit of laughter. He had (beat) **beaten** the odds, and so he (do) **didn’t** mind that his tower had (break) **broken** apart.

**Above each line, change the verb forms when necessary.**

1. I could have **done** a better job.
2. They have never **run** that far before.

3. She has simply worn, torn, and **beaten** us down.